

Nursing Advisory Committee Meeting
May 7, 2026
Time called to order: 9:00am
Time Meeting adjourned: 11:30am

PRESENT:

Merich	Julia	Adventist Health Simi Valley	Manager of Education Services
Drexler	Diane	Community Memorial Hospital	Chief Nursing Officer
Macias	Lindsey	Community Memorial Hospital	Manager of Clinical Education
Stanley	Brandi	Community Memorial Hospital	Maternal Child Health
Algeo	Shelley	Cottage Hospital	Director of Education and Nursing Professional Development
Picotte	Lindsay	Cottage Hospital	RN Residency Program Coordinator
Child	Rebekah	CSU Northridge	CSUN Department Chair
Ayala	Sandra	CSUCI	Staff
Confiac	Nathalie	CSUCI	Faculty
Congello	Neomie	CSUCI	Faculty
Gorgolewski	Amelia	CSUCI	Student
McColpin	Aaron	CSUCI	Faculty
Magnani	Karen	Dignity Health	So. Cal. Division Director, Nurse Residency Programs
Ortega	Laura	Dignity Health	Manager of Education
Chavez	Brandon	Grand Canyon Univeristy	University Development Counselor
Barbee	Jessica	Moorpark College	Moorpark Skills Lab RN
Block	Nicole	Moorpark College	Academic Senate President
Carrillo	Laurel	Moorpark College	Nursing Student
Diamond	Kacie	Moorpark College	Nursing Student
Dieterich	Michelle	Moorpark College	Moorpark Faculty
Esico	Nica	Moorpark College	Nursing Student
Lee	Christina	Moorpark College	Nursing Coordinator
MacNeil	Rory	Moorpark College	Nursing Student
Walia	Katina	Moorpark College	Moorpark Faculty

Coaston	Angel	Pepperdine College	Founding Dean
Wicks	Tanya	Pepperdine College	Director of Clinical Academic Practice Partnerships
Penner	Tricia	University of Phoenix	Community College Strategy Manager
Skolnick	Giti	VCMC	Senior Clinical Nurse Educator, Clinical Placement Liaison
Baek	Caroline	Ventura College	Ventura College Simulation Instructor
Barrett	Danica	Ventura College	Nursing Student
Dominguez	Calyn	Ventura College	Nursing Student
Herrera	Bea	Ventura College	Ventura College Counselor
Kreisher	Noreen	Ventura College	Ventura College FT Faculty
Melton	Sandra	Ventura College	Ventura College - Director of Nursing & Allied Health
Myers	Mackenzie	Ventura College	Nursing Student
Okosun	Kafui	Ventura College	Ventura College FT Faculty
Pelone	Karen	Ventura College	Ventura College FT Faculty
Petterson	Seth	Ventura College	Nursing Student
Ranchez	Jennifer	Ventura College	Ventura College FT Faculty
Cruz	Faustino	Ventura College St. John's Hospital Camarillo	Ventura College Clinical Faculty / RN Residency Coordinator
Hoffman	Dianthe	Westmont	Program Director, Accelerated BSN Program
Murray	Ella	Westmont	Assistant Program Director

TRANSCRIBER: Miranda Castelo

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1. Introductions	
2. CMH – Lindsey Macias	• Presentation
3. St. Johns – Laura Ortega	• Presentation • Explanation provided regarding “Other” schools as noted in presentation ○ Some students that have difficulty entering a local nursing school may move to complete education elsewhere and then return to live and work ○ Preference is to hire those that live locally as they are more likely to remain then those that live further and must commute
4. VCMC – Giti Skolnick	• Presentation
5. Cottage Health	• Presentation
6. Adventist Health Simi Valley – Julia Merich	• Presentation
7. Table Discussions	• Attendees discussed questions in table groups and provide answers through Mentimeter
8. Moorpark – Christina Lee	• Presentation • Review of EPSLOs within presentation
9. Channel Islands – Noemi Congello	• Presentation
10. Pepperdine – Angel Coaston	• Presentation
11. Westmont – Dianthe Hoffman	• Started in January 2022 • Summer will start 11th cohort • Graduated 6 cohorts, total of 108 students • 94% overall pass rate • December graduates had 96% pass rate • Pinning cohort #7 tonight with 22 students • Approved for 36 students, 3 times per year

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	• Main clinical partner is Cottage Health and growing to include CMH and VCMC • Future notes – Approved to start masters entry program, waiting for college accreditation approval as Westmont is currently undergraduate program • Review of ongoing mission trips
12. University of Phoenix - Tricia Penner	• Review of programs available • Highlight – started offering concurrent courses to graduating students over winter or summer breaks • Beneficial for students as hospitals prefer to hire RNs with a BSN
13. Grand Canyon University – Brandon Chavez	• Review of programs offered
14. Ventura College – Sandra Melton	• Presentation • Review of EPSLOs within presentation